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## PARK TRAMMELL SUES PROCLAMATION

Efforts to Enforce Provisions of Corrupt Practice Act.

Park Trammell recently is the following proclamation added to the Sheriff of Florida and their special attention to the regarding the conduct of candidates before the primary election, and provisions of which it would be for all the people to understand proclamation is as follows:

### STATE OF FLORIDA EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

Tallahassee,

the Sheriff of Florida:

Section 16 of Chapter 6470 of laws of Florida—being the Corrupt Practice Act, specifically requires the Sheriff of the State to exercise vigilance in the detection of violations of its provisions, I beg to call your attention certain important provisions of this law as follows:

Section 6 makes it unlawful for a person to attempt to further his day by promising to give or to a person to a public or private office or position.

Section 6 makes it unlawful for a person to employ political workers or to canvass, electioneer or to make public addresses for or at a candidate or to pay their expenses for such purposes. It is unlawful for a person to accept such employment.

Section 6 also makes it unlawful for a candidate to employ other person to hire or employ a person to go around over the State to circulate campaign literature.

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## SUNKEN LOGS IN RIVER OBSTRUCT NAVIGATION

And Are a Source of Danger and Damage to Passing Boats.

The Palatka News has received the following letter from Major W. B. Ladue, of the U. S. District Engineers office, Jacksonville, which is self-explanatory:

Editor Palatka News:

Dear Sir:—Complaints have been made to this office concerning sunken logs and parts of rafts in various portions of the navigable channel of the St. Johns River, in the dredged channel at the foot of Crescent Lake, and in the Oklawaha River. These sunken logs and rafts are a source of danger and damage to passing boats.

All parties towing logs on the St. Johns River and its tributaries are invited to cooperate with this office in keeping the channels clear by requiring their employees to use care in making up and handling bundles and rafts of logs so as to avoid dropping logs in the channel.

The Federal laws for the protection of navigable waters specially prohibit carelessness in this respect, and this office will take steps to institute proceedings against persistent offenders upon presentation of necessary evidence. The law provides that if a conviction is secured, one-half of the fine assessed will go to the informer.

I shall be glad to have you give this matter publicity in your columns.

Very respectfully,

W. B. SADUE,

Major, Corps of Engineers.

### Band Concert Saturday Night.

The regular Saturday night concert will take place at 7:45 at the corner of Lemon and Second streets, when the Second Regiment Band will render the following program:

March—Gipsies—Lithgow.

"Chinese Blues," Gardner.

(a) Misereere II Trovatore, Verdi.

(b) Humoresque, A. D. Vorak.

One Step—Loading up the Mandy Lee, Marshall.

Overture—Silver Flask, Chattanooga.

Valse—Kathleen, Chattanooga.

Fox Trot—Underneath the Stars, Spencer.

Song—Memories (baritone solo) Van Alstyne.

Selection—Songs of Scotland, Lampe.

(a) Southern Stars.

(b) Stars Spangled Banner.

### Dr. Johnson Says "No."

Dr. H. A. Johnson of this city has been urged repeatedly by friends in the city and county who have come to know and appreciate his sterling "Democracy," to become a candidate for State Executive Committeeman, but to all importunities that he run he has said "No" in such a way as to leave no doubt of his meaning.

Dr. Johnson has a large practice and in addition to this he will from now on for the next year have some burden of a public nature to carry as one of the bond trustees of the local road district. That he appreciates the confidence of his friends, however, in thus urging him to take on the additional duties, is apparent.

Other candidates for State Executive Committeeman so far to announce are Chas. Burt, assistant cashier of the Putnam National Bank, and H. M. Fearnside of the Browning-Fearnside Co., both excellent young men.

### Exercises By Kindergartners.

One of the most interesting classes of educational primary work in Palatka, is the Kindergarten class, under the direction of Mrs. George W. Lansing. The little tots show the careful training bestowed upon them, as evidenced by the obedience, and alertness which they manifest and the wonderful patience of their teacher in dealing with their childish difficulties is really marvelous.

The exercises given recently by the class in the parlors of Mr. and Mrs. Julian De Nazario were decorated in flags and white olivanders, were delightfully rendered by the class of ten little tots. There were songs, recitations and drills by the class. Mrs. R. S. O'Haver presided at the piano for the songs. After the exercises, the children had an animal cracker hunt, for which a prize of a box of animal crackers was awarded.

The class sat at a long table and were served cream and cake, as were the guests of the class, who came to witness the exercises. The class members are Lane Waters, Margaret and Frances Porter, Edwin Morrison, Charles Fields, John Berry Davis, Julia and Florence De Nazario, Frederick Brown and Frances Thompson.

## BIG REALTY DEALS IN PALATKA ZONE

Good Roads and Other Improvements Creating a Demand for Real Estate.

### NEW HOTEL STARTED.

Important Purchases of Large Properties in Clay and St. Johns Counties

Considerable activity in real estate is noticed in the Palatka territory which includes parts of St. Johns and Clay counties as well as Putnam. A very encouraging feature of this activity is the building of a new hotel in Palatka and the purchase by a local company of a resort hotel in Green Cove Springs which indicates a very hopeful prospect of a good tourist business for this part of Florida next year.

Both of these hotels, it will be noted, are on the great Spa route between Jacksonville and Tampa which will pass through Rodman, Kenwood, Orange Springs, Bay Lake, Ft. McCoy, Burbank, Silver Springs and Ocala.

Work of demolishing the old Arlington Hotel, in Palatka preliminary to the erection of a modern, three-story brick hotel by Dr. Geo. E. Welch, was commenced last week. The new building, will be one of the best equipped and most modernly appointed in this section of Florida.

In Green Cove Springs R. L. Dowling and his associates acquired the stock of L. H. McKee in the Green Cove Springs Development Co., and purchased from Mr. McKee the Quisiana hotel property.

All of the property, spring and hotel, golf links and the vacant lots between the spring and the river are now the property of the Green Cove Springs Development Co., with R. L. Dowling, as president, John T. Crawley, secretary, and R. O. Dennard, as treasurer.

This and the Palatka hotel will be open all the year.

Recent large investments by the Southern Cattle Feeding Company of Ohio which has a 25,000 acre ranch near Green Cove Springs and by Du Pont Company of a camphor farm of several thousand acres here as well as at Satsuma in Putnam County have had a tendency to increase land values in the Palatka Green Cove district particularly along the line of the Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad.

A deal involving several thousand dollars has been closed in St. Johns county whereby E. C. Poe of Dunnellon becomes the owner of the McCallum property at Matanzas. There are about three thousand acres involved and it is the intention of Mr. Poe to operate at full capacity the manufacture of naval stores. He has also some important plans in view along the lines of agricultural development of a portion of the property which is admirably situated on the old King's road and on the banks of Pellicer creek, eighteen miles down the coast from St. Augustine, and due east from Hastings.

Over in Lake county, Mr. Poe has met with considerable success in the growing of natal grass, and it is his plan to sow a small acreage on his new property with a view to seeing if it will not prove as successful in St. Johns county as it has proven in Lake county and other places in middle Florida.—New Florida.

### Parent-Teachers' Association.

The last meeting of the school year of the Palatka Parent-Teachers' Association will be held at 3 p. m., next Thursday, May 11th. The meeting will be first a business meeting, followed by the annual election of officers. This will be followed with a social hour, when light refreshments will be served. Then will be an inspection of exhibit work throughout the school. It is urged that every member of the association be present at this meeting, and all others interested in the welfare of the school are invited and will be made welcome. It is expected also that the new school trustees will be present, and it is hoped to make this a real get-together meeting in the interest of the Palatka School.

### The Bardin Picnic.

Farmers and others interested in the meeting to promote interest in the cultivation of strawberries in the western section of the county, especially in the neighborhoods of Carraway, Bardin, Harlem, Bannerville and other points, should not forget the meeting and basket picnic to be held at Bardin next Wednesday, the 10th inst.

Speakers familiar with strawberry culture, will be present, and their object will be to stimulate interest in the work as to secure a large acreage in these sections, acreage sufficient to warrant buyers being present to pay the market price for these berries daily on delivery to some central point. It is believed that much of the land in these sections is specially adapted to strawberry culture and that their growing in large quantities will mean a splendid money crop to the people.

### Great Truth.

"He who plays the fool will miss the prize"—Aesop.

## SYSTEMATIC WORK FOR TICK ERADICATION

Has Begun Under Direction of Well Known Organization.

At a final meeting held at Jacksonville on April 25th, an organization to be known as the "Florida Cattle Tick Eradication Committee of the Southern Settlement & Development Organization" was fully completed, and will begin active operations immediately. The committee is composed of J. M. Burguiere, chairman; J. E. Ingraham, vice chairman; Arthur G. Cumber, secretary; W. F. Coachman, secretary; Clement S. Ucker, and Robert M. Pindell, Jr., the last named being vice-presidents of the Southern Settlement & Development Organization. P. L. Sutherland of Jacksonville, has been appointed manager, and offices have been taken in the Consolidated building.

In addition to the gentlemen above named, there were present at this meeting, Dr. E. M. Nighbert, of the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry, Inspector in charge of Tick Eradication in Georgia and Florida. Prof. P. J. Kells and Dr. J. M. Scott of the University of Florida, and Dr. F. Dawson of the Florida State Board of Health. It is the purpose of the committee to at once undertake an active State-wide campaign of information and education in cattle tick eradication, and to bring to its aid assistance, as far as possible, every organization and individual in the State of Florida who is interested in a big and better Florida. The warm cooperation of the Federal Department of Agriculture; the State Department of Agriculture; the State Agricultural College; the State Board of Health, and the Florida Live Stock Association have already been assured, and resolutions were recently adopted by the State Bankers Association at Daytona and by the State Press Association at Kissimmee, offering definite co-operation in the proposed campaign and characterizing it as the principal business issue before the people of Florida.

The organization of this movement arose out of the conclusion reached by the officers of the Southern Settlement & Development Organization, after full investigation and consideration that the substantial Florida of the future must depend upon an intelligent and steady development of the cattle business along with the development of other lines of agriculture now so well under way. The first concrete step in this movement was the Florida Cattle Conference held at Tampa on February 7th and 8th last. This was designed to bring out as far as possible, in open discussion, by men of special training and experience the real conditions in Florida, whether advantageous or otherwise, with respect to the cattle industry. Much of a useful and interesting nature was disclosed in this meeting, and it was shown in a most striking manner, by speakers of experience and expert knowledge, who took part in the discussion, that until the Texas fever cattle tick is entirely eliminated from the State, and the Federal quarantine restrictions removed, the cattle business can never reach that high state of development which is justified by the conditions of Florida soil and climate.

Since the Tampa conference there have been a series of meetings in Jacksonville of representatives of large interests throughout the State, for the purpose of discussing the method which ought to be pursued to obtain the most satisfactory results. The earnestness of these discussions has been striking, and as a result a large fund has been placed at the disposal of the committee for the purpose of prosecuting the work.

Manager Sutherland is now engaged in preparing a plan of campaign for submission to the Executive Committee at its next meeting, which will be held early in the month of May. It is the desire and intention of the committee to seek all the advice possible in the preparation of its plans, and when these plans are finally agreed upon to press the work with the utmost vigor. The committee has already been assured by those in a position to know, that the methods thus far followed in completing its organization are by far the most effective and far-reaching of any movement of the kind heretofore undertaken in the quarantined area.

### Woman's Club Musicales.

The second "open musicale" of the Palatka Woman's Club will be held in the parlors of the Putnam House this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The program follows: Piano Duet, Country Dance, Nevin, Mesdames Lucas and O'Haver; Voice, Miss Leonore Purcell, (a), Lilacs, (b), The White Rose For Her Hair, Cadman; Piano, Miss Helen Tilghman, "Caprice Viennoise, Kreisler; Trio, The Nightingale's Song, Nevin, Misses Lewis, Leib, Mrs. Mann; Quartette, Grand-nunc's Minuet, Patty Stair, Miss Lewis, Mrs. Lucas, Miss Leib and Mrs. Mann; voice, Miss Leib, (a) Magic Song, Meyer-Helmund; (b), Spring Song, Oscar Weil, (violin Obligato by Miss Boyd); Violin, Miss Louise Boyd, Selected; Piano, Miss Maye Boyd, Second Rhapsodie, Liszt; Voice, Mrs. Mann, Selected; piano, Miss Leonore Purcell, Masoue, Debussy; Trio, Serenade, Nevin, Misses Lewis, Leib, Mrs. Mann. An admission of 25 cents will be charged non-members.

## STATE AUDITOR'S SPECIAL REPORT

Ordered Published by Circuit Judge Wills.

It will be remembered that at the spring term of the circuit court last month the grand jury in its presentment recommended that the report of the special audit of the books and accounts of the various county officers be ordered published, and Judge Wills, in conformity to the recommendations of the jury ordered County Clerk Hutchinson to procure a copy and have it published.

The report arrived yesterday, and was sent to the Times-Herald as official paper of the county for publication. The lateness of its arrival made it impossible for The News also to give the full report.

It is sufficient to say that the report finds that the books and records of the clerk, the sheriff, the tax collector, county treasurer, superintendent of public instruction are all correct and given a clear bill.

In the case of the County Judge there is a difference of some \$40 in fees in dispute, and which the auditor claims should be turned over to the county, but Judge Haskell, who comes pretty near knowing the law as well as the auditor, refuses to pay the amount over, stating "that his acts in binding over the various parties were judicial determinations in the interest of the public and should be paid for."

In the case of Justice J. E. Marshall, there is also a demand on the part of the auditor for the return of fees. He finds that it is the usual custom of this officer in cases where a number of parties are arrested on the same date for such offenses as gambling and train riding to try each individual case separately. This custom violates no law within my knowledge, but the costs to be paid by the county would be decreased by making one case against a group of offenders when the parties are all arrested at one time and guilty of the same offense. There is some other criticism of Judge Marshall's system, with a request that he return to the county certain excess fees, but this request Judge Marshall refuses on the ground that he felt that he was entitled to them.

In the case of the county commissioners it was found that they had drawn during 1915 more than the \$200 per annum which they are allowed by law. This was pointed out by the auditor to have been regularly drawn as per diem pay, but as the statute prohibits county commissioners in counties of less than 20,000 inhabitants to draw more than a total of \$200, there was an excess, which the commissioners have returned as follows:

D. P. Hancock, \$81; W. C. Alvers, \$68.25; E. B. Perry, \$80; T. M. Waldron, \$6; C. E. Rowton (proportionately) \$8. It was pointed out also that the board had sat many days as drainage commissioners, which accounted for the excess time.

In the case of Treasurer J. E. Edmonson there is a lost check to account for. His records show that a check for \$11.50 was probably received from the late J. L. Burton for justice court fines. Judge Burton's letter enclosing check is on file, also Mr. Edmonson's receipt made out and signed but never delivered. But there is no evidence that the check was ever cashed. The check was never accounted for and a demand has been made on Mr. Edmonson for the amount, which he, nor any one else ever drew.

### Miss Purcell Honored.

Miss Leonore Purcell, who is the guest of Miss Annie Bruce, is receiving much social attention. Saturday, Aubrey Melton had as his motor guests, Misses Purcell, Annie and Vi Bruce and Louise Melton, on a trip to McCullough's Creek, where they spent a delightful day. Tuesday Mrs. W. A. Walton entertained at dinner for Miss Purcell.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. R. S. O'Haver gave a thimble party in which Miss Purcell was one of the honor guests. Wednesday afternoon, Miss Winnie Barstow entertained her club, and invited Miss Purcell with Miss Bruce, as spectators. Tomorrow, Mrs. Bruce and family with Miss Purcell will take the Oklawaha trip by boat, remaining over Sunday.

### Entertains For Miss Cowles.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Robert S. O'Haver gave a thimble party at the Mause in honor of Miss Marjorie Cowles of Chicago, who is a niece of Rev. C. M. Alford. Miss Cowles who is a student in the Chicago School of Applied and Normal Art, has been spending a three months' vacation in Murry Hill, Jacksonville, with Dr. and Mrs. Alford.

The afternoon was delightfully spent while tongues and needles were busy. Punch was drunk during the afternoon, and later, an ice course with salted almonds was served. The guests were Misses Marjorie Cowles, Leonore Purcell with Annie Bruce, Irma Jane Lewis, Louise and Maye Boyd, Ida Leib Mesdames E. L. Mann and J. E. Lucas.

### Finest new 1915 Cate Syrup.

Full line of Staple and Fancy Groceries. Full weight and best quality at this store.

L. C. STEPHENS.

628 Kirby Street.

## THE LIBRARY VOTING CONTEST IS GROWING

Another Large Number of Votes Cast.

The big Library Contest which opened recently and news of which has been given in the Palatka News, has exceeded all expectations on the start. Interest was at fever heat even the first day and those who are watching the ballot box at the Ackerman-Stewart Drug Co., say it is wonderful the way people are becoming interested in this grand offer and a glance at the standing of contestants will convince you that they are correct.

One of our City's most brilliant literary men has examined the books and said that no hand could have selected better books than are contained in this library and the sincerity of the many compliments that have been received at the Fearnside Clothing Co. where the books are on exhibition, is evidenced by the large poll of votes.

Several of the merchants who are interested in this grand offer say they know of many people who are holding back many thousands of votes. Some are undecided what organization they will work for and others are preparing for a dark horse, so it behooves all who are interested to clip the coupon from this paper and insist on receiving votes from the merchants and business firms who are giving them. Bear them in mind. You will find their names in the advertising columns of this paper from time to time.

Judges Messrs. Will N. Walton, C. H. Price and R. M. Coleman count the votes again this week and submit the following:

Palatka High School	12850
Woman's Club	12825
Masonic Lodge	12823
Public Library	10680
Hastings High School	9670
Baptist Club	10660
Red Men	8043
Catholic Club	7814
Moose Club	7513
M. E. Church	6970
O. P. O. E.	1802
K. of P.	1508
M. W. of A.	1250
I. O. O. F.	1235
Presbyterian Church	290
W. O. W.	2

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS

J. H. Tucker, a prominent citizen of Pomona precinct, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

C. H. Wigg will make the race for Justice of the Peace from the Palatka district.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hardy and Mr. Dunmier of Florahome were motor visitors to the city yesterday.

L. Smith of DeLeon Springs is spending a day or two in the city on business and calling on old friends.

P. M. Hagan is the first man to qualify in the race for sheriff. Pete paid the clerk of the court his \$75 fee yesterday morning.

The Associated Charities will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 10th, at 3:30 p. m. sharp, when all members are requested to be present.

The Putnam Spectator for May has been issued and is a fine specimen of the High School idea in newspaper make-up. The May number is a special edition for Commencement.

Shoes, underwear for adults and children are needed very much by the Associated Charities, also dresses and hats. If not convenient to send to the Associated Charities office, please telephone 186.

C. H. Kennerly returned yesterday from a two months' campaign in Indianapolis and other cities in the middle west where he represented the Florida Farms & Homes, Inc. Mrs. Kennerly will remain in Louisville for a time.

Hon. John P. Wall of Putnam Hall was a visitor in the city yesterday. It has been whispered on the streets here that Mr. Wall contemplates entering the legislative race, but that gentleman says there is nothing to the rumor other than that there has been a demand on the part of his neighbors and friends in West Putnam that he should enter. There are other reasons, however, which Mr. Wall says will keep him from it. Asked as to any expressions he might wish to make, the ex-Senator from Putnam Hall said, "No except that it's very dry out our way."

Dr. Frank McRae of Melrose drove to the city on Wednesday, spending a good share of the day here calling on friends. Occasionally one meets with a person who expresses a regret for what he styles an "old-time democrat." A little talk with the doctor on Wednesday, convinced The News man that there was one who held to the old-time principles of democracy and who was a democrat with ample reasons for the faith that is in him. Dr. McRae, when the new law enacted by the last legislature, and which requires candidates for Representative to run in groups, said "There is nothing fair in such a law; it deprives the people of freedom of choice—it was not enacted as a measure for the people, but it was evidently intended as a measure to help re-elect those already in."

**The Putnam National Bank of Palatka**  
PALATKA, FLORIDA

Total Assets, June 10th	\$700,000.00
Liabilities to Depositors	495,000.00
Assets over Liabilities to Depositors	205,000.00

According to the New York Financial Review we are the second strongest bank in Florida.

Safe Deposit Boxes, double lock system, are the best make. \$3.00 per year. Foreign banking business.

W. WELCH, President  
WILSON, Vice-President

A. S. WILLARD, Cashier  
CHAS. BURT, Asst. Cashier